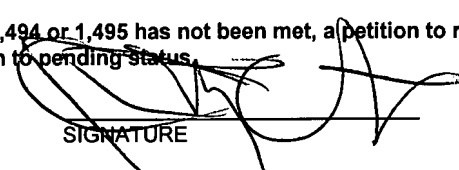
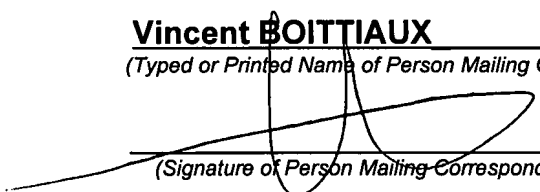


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/elected office (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371			U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 3717 CFR 1.5) 10/049447 NOT APPLICABLE
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/FR00/02307	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE August 11, 2000	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED August 13, 1999	
TITLE OF INVENTION ORGANIC COLLOIDAL DISPERSION OF ESSENTIALLY MONOCRYSTALLINE PARTICLES OF AT LEAST ONE COMPOUND BASED ON AT LEAST ONE RARE EARTH, A PROCESS FOR ITS PREPARATION, AND USE THEREOF.			
APPLICANT (S) FOR DO/EO/US: LAURENCE LADOUCE AND YVES BOMAL			
Applicant herewith submits the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:			
<p>1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U S C 371</p> <p>2 <input type="checkbox"/> This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U S C 371</p> <p>3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U S C 371) (f) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U S C 371 (b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1)</p> <p>4 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date</p> <p>5 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U S C 371(c)(2))</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a. <input type="checkbox"/> is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been transmitted by the International Bureau.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US)</p> <p>6 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A translation of the International Application into English (35 U S C 371(c)(2)).</p> <p>7 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210)</p> <p>8 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U S C 371(c)(2)).</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">a. <input type="checkbox"/> are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been transmitted by the International Bureau</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made, however the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</p> <p style="margin-left: 20px;">d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</p> <p>9 <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U S C 371(c)(3)).</p> <p>10 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U S C 371(c)(4)). (unsigned)</p> <p>11 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</p> <p>12 <input type="checkbox"/> A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U S C 371(c)(5)).</p> <p>Items 13 to 18 below concern document(s) or information included:</p> <p>13 <input type="checkbox"/> An information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98</p> <p>14 <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included</p> <p>15 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A FIRST preliminary amendment</p> <p>16 <input type="checkbox"/> A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment</p> <p>17 <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</p> <p>18 <input type="checkbox"/> A change of power of attorney and/or address letter</p> <p>19 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Certificate of Mailing by Express Mail</p> <p>20 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information</p>			
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21 The following fees are submitted: BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) - (5)): <input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1,482) nor International search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$1,040.00 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO..... \$ 890.00 <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1,482) not paid to USPTO but international search (37 CFR 1,445 (a)(2)) fee paid to USPTO..... \$ 740.00 <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1,482) but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$ 710.00 <input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1,482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4) \$ 100.00 ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =		<table border="1" style="width:100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%;">\$ 890.00</td> <td style="width:50%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>\$ 0.00</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	\$ 890.00		\$ 0.00	
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Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than <input type="checkbox"/> 20 <input type="checkbox"/> 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1,492(e)).						
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA				
Total Claims	27-20=	7				
Independent Claims	3-3=	0				
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =		\$ 1,016.00				
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SUBTOTAL =		\$ 1,016.00				
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Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property + <input type="checkbox"/>		\$ 0.00				
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a <input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the above fees is enclosed b <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. 18-1171 in the amount of \$1,016.00 to cover the above fees. c <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1171 A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.						
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1,494 or 1,495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.						
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO: Kevin E. McVEIGH RHODIA INC. 259 Prospect Plains Road CN 7500 Cranbury, NJ 08512		<div style="text-align: center;">  SIGNATURE Kevin E. McVEIGH NAME 33,017 </div>				
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I hereby certify that this Transmittal letter, Specification with Abstract (32 pages), Declaration/ Power of Attorney (unsigned), Preliminary Amendment (5 pages), Forms PCT/IPEA/409, Forms PCT/ISA/ 210 (English & French Version), PCT/FR00/02307 as published.			
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